

REMARKS

By way of response, Applicants have amended the specification and presented the following remarks. Claims 1-4, 15-18, 62-65, and 90-93, and 98-101 are pending. Applicants submit that the pending claims are supported by the specification.

For the reasons given below, Applicants submit that the pending claims are in condition for allowance and notification to that effect is earnestly solicited.

Priority Claim

Applicants have amended the specification to include the priority information of the parent application. No new matter is added.

Applicants note that the originally filed papers requesting that this be a continuation application included instructions to insert after the title the appropriate priority claim, including the incorporation of the parent application by reference.

SUMMARY

Applicants submit that the claims are in condition for allowance and notification to that effect is earnestly solicited. The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' representative if prosecution may be assisted thereby.

Respectfully submitted,

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